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SUBJECT: MALAGASY INTEREST IN U.S. NAVAL OFFICER TRAINING

REFERENCE: TANANARIVE 1165

1. AS PROPOSED REFTTEL, MALAGASY INTEREST IN ADVANCED NAVAL OFFICER TRAINING IN U.S. NAVAL SCHOOLS AS WELL AS MIDSHIP-MEN TRAINING IS BEING CAREFULLY CONSIDERED IN CONTEXT OF U.S. INTEREST IN INDIAN OCEAN PORT ACCESS AND INCREASING LIMITATIONS ON SECURITY ASSISTANCE AND FUNDS PROVIDED UNDER FOREIGN MILITARY SALES AND FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACTS.

2. PENDING SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF REQUEST FOR PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATION TO MAKE GOMR ELIGIBLE FOR FMS CASH PURCHASES, THERE IS POSSIBILITY THAT 23 WEEK NAVAL OFFICER
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STAFF COURSE (TWICE YEARLY) AT NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND,

MIGHT PROVIDE BASIS TO MEET GOMR'S ADVANCED TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.

3. POSSIBILITY OF DOD LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL TO BROADEN FOREIGN PARTICIPATION IN MIDSHIPMEN TRAINING ALSO BEING EXPLORED AS POSSIBLE BASIS FOR POSITIVE RESPONSE TO GOMR NAVY.

4. WILL ADVISE FURTHER. KISSINGER

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